

REMARKS

Claims 43-61 are presented to the Examiner for further prosecution on the merits. Claims 1-42 have been canceled.

In the Office Action, the Examiner requires a restriction to one of the following inventions under 35 U.S.C. §121:

Group I. Claims 1-5, drawn to electronic money.

Group II. Claims 6-11, drawn to electronic use right.

Group III. Claims 12-42, drawn to a charging system.

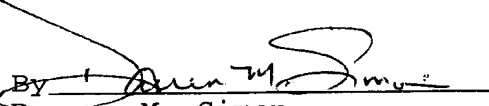
Group IV. Claims 43-61, drawn to a reproducing method of content data.

In response, Applicants hereby elect the invention of Group IV, corresponding to claims 43-61. Applicants reserve the right to file a divisional application corresponding to the non-elected claims. The non-elected claims have been canceled.

In the event any fee is due in connection with the present response, the Examiner is authorized to charge Applicant's Deposit Account No. 12-1095.

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